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1. DATT AIRCRAFT CERTAINLY ENHANCED ABILITY OF DATT NDJAMENA TO SERVICE BOTH LIBREVILLE AND BANGUI. IT OFFERED OPPORTUNITY, ALTHOUGH RARELY USED, FOR AMBASSADOR'S TRAVEL IN COUNTRY AND, ON OCCASION, TO INVITE OR COORDINATE INTRA-COUNTRY VISITS WITH DESIRABLE CONTACTS WHICH SOMETIMES OTHERWISE NOT EASILY ACCESSIBLE ACCORDING TO FORMER DATT.

2. WHILE MEMBERS NDJAMENA DATT COULD DEPEND ON COMMERICAL AIRLINES VISIT BOTH COUNTRIES, THE THEORY ALWAYS SEEMS TO HAVE MORE POTENTIAL THAN THE FACT. IN TERMS OF ACTUAL WORK PERFORMED THERE NEED BE NO SIGNIFICANT DIMINUTION, BUT I WONDER IF AMBASSADORS QUANTON AND STEIGMAN CONSIDER THE PAST LEVEL OF OUTPUT WOTH MAINTAINING THE ACCREDITATION.

3. I HAVE SOME RESERVATIONS REGARDING THE ACCREDITATION OF DATT RESIDENT IN NDJAMENA TO LIBREVILLE IF A FOREIGN MILITARY SALES PROGRAM OR OTHER PROVISION OF MILITARY MATERIAL BECOMES A FACT. AS I HAVE NOTED BEFORE, THIS MIGHT CAUSE SOME EMBARRASSMENT WITH GOC AUTHORITIES WHO HAVE BEEN
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